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RESPONSE UNDER 35 U.S.C. 121

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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed April 12, 2007, Applicants elect for further prosecution without traverse and solely to facilitate prosecution Group I, claims 1-7, drawn to a method of identification of a pathogenic organism comprising amplification and detection.

Applicants reserve the right to prosecute Group II, claims 8-9, in either a continuation or divisional application.

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